COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE JOINT APPLICATION OF THE SPEARS)	
WATER COMPANY, INC. AND THE CITY OF)	
NICHOLASVILLE FOR APPROVAL OF AN)	
ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT WHEREBY)	
THE CITY OF NICHOLASVILLE PROPOSES)	CASE NO
TO ACQUIRE THE EXISTING WATER)	2001-325
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OF THE SPEARS)	
WATER COMPANY, INC. PURSUANT TO)	
THE PROVISIONS OF KRS 278.020(4) AND)	
807 KAR 5:001(8))	

<u>ORDER</u>

The Commission, on its own motion, HEREBY ORDERS that:

- 1. A formal hearing in this matter is scheduled for Tuesday, February 26, 2002 at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.
- 2. Prefiled testimony shall be filed by February 12, 2002 and hearing testimony shall be limited to cross-examination, redirect examination and rebuttal.
- 3. Any party filing testimony shall file an original and 6 copies. The original and least 3 copies of the testimony shall be filed as follows:
- a. Accompanied by a cover letter listing each person presenting testimony.
- b. Bound in 3-ring binders or with any other fastener which readily opens and closes to facilitate easy copying.
 - c. Each witness's testimony tabbed.

4. If no testimony is filed by February 12, 2002, the hearing will be cancelled and this matter shall stand submitted on the record.

5. Requests for information may be filed and served on any party to this

action on or before 10 days from the date of this Order.

6. Responses to request for information shall be filed on or before 10 days from the date of service.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 14th day of January, 2002.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director